

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-13 without prejudice.

Please add new claims 14-17.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1.-13. (Cancelled)

14. (New) A composition for preventing neuronal cell death, comprising a neurotrophin and a tetrafluorobenzyl derivative.

15. (New) The composition according to claim 14 wherein the neurotrophin is selected from nerve growth factor, brain-derived neurotrophic factor, neurotrophin-3 and neurotrophin-4/5.

16. (New) The composition according to claim 14 wherein the tetrafluorobenzyl derivative is 2-Hydroxy-5-(2,3,5,6-tetrafluoro-4-trifluoromethyl-benzylamino)-benzoic acid.

17. (New) The composition according to claim 14, further including a pharmaceutical carrier.